REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 3-7, 11, 13-17, 21 and 23-24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent No. 6,157,905 (Powell). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection. With regard to amended claim 1, Powell does not disclose displaying characters of a file converted to a first or second code format using the first code format or the second code format. In this regard, the purported conversion cited by the Office Action (i.e., cols. 11-12 of Powell) merely relates to generating characterizations of a sample digital document representation for use in determining a language and character set of the digital document representation. The characterizations are not used to display characters. In contrast, the converted characters of claim 1 are used to display the characters of the file. Accordingly, for at least these reasons, the above-listed pending claims are patentable over Powell. For at least the same reasons, claims 2, 12, and 22 are patentable over Powell in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,397,259 (Lincke). Similarly, claims 8-10, 18-20 and 25 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Powell in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,718,519 (Taieb).

In view of these remarks, the application is now in condition for allowance and the Examiner's prompt action in accordance therewith is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1504.

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